

**RUSHVILLE CITY UNSAFE HEARING BOARD  
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2004  
5:00 P.M.**

The Unsafe Hearing Board met on the above date and time at 270 West 15th Street, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Bridges called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m., with Chris Fields, Toby Gilliam, and Mike Pavey answering roll call. Also present were City Attorney, Julie Newhouse, and Scott Murray, WKWH.

**MINUTES \* \* \***

Minutes of the September 7, 2004 were presented for approval. Fields made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**MAYOR'S REPORT \* \* \***

Bridges reported that he attended the IACT conference last week in Evansville and at the conference he participated in workshops on unsafe buildings and code enforcement. He has given a copy of a sample ordinance to the City Attorneys for review and will also get a copy for the Unsafe Hearing Board members.

**CITIZEN CONCERNS \* \* \***

None.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS \* \* \***

**721 & 725 North Morgan Street, Doug Morgan Property** – Pavey said he had spoken to Morgan on the 16<sup>th</sup> of September at which time Morgan said he was doing a second spraying for the fleas. Pavey also passed out a letter from Morgan.

Bridges said the letter does not set out any kind of plan.

Pavey said that Morgan stated he does not have any money and he is just now seeing the light at the end of the tunnel. Gilliam said it would take about \$100,000.00 to bring the building up to where it should be. Bridges said he is not willing to suspend any fines. Gilliam said Morgan needs to attend a meeting.

Clark said he thought the City Engineer needed to take a look at the building to determine if it was structurally sound.

Pavey said he thought the City needed to get the International Code in place as soon as possible because it is a much better code.

Gilliam said we need to get the place stabilized for the area neighbors. Gilliam then made a motion to have a professional exterminator come in and treat the outside for fleas, and with permission of the owner, also treat the inside. If deemed necessary it should also be treated for rodents. The bill is to go to Morgan. Also to see if the building is code compliant. Fields seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Clark will contact Arab and the fine will continue.

**NEW BUSINESS \* \* \***

**326 E 9<sup>th</sup> Street & 607 N Perkins Street** – Clark said he sent out 10-day notices to both properties that they had unsafe sheds on the properties and they needed to be torn down. Both property owners have complied.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Fields made a motion to adjourn. Pavey seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

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ROBERT M. BRIDGES, MAYOR

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CHRISTOPHER S. FIELDS, MEMBER

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TOBY GILLIAM, MEMBER

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MICHAEL P. PAVEY, MEMBER

ATTEST:

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ANN L. COPLEY, CLERK-TREASURER